

Amendment to the Claims

1. (Currently Amended) An elevator cab construction for increasing interior cab size of elevator cab including:

- (a) shell panels forming the interior walls of the cab with a ceiling and platform[.],
- (b) stiffeners on the interior of said shell panels to provide suitable support,
- (c) vertical corner trim stiffeners in the corners of the cab supporting said shell [panel] panels,
- (d) decorative panels mounted on said shell panels on the interior of said cab and mounted between said stiffeners.

2. (Original) The elevator cab of claim 1 wherein said shell panels have openings to the elevator shaft to provide ventilation through said stiffeners.

3. (Original) The elevator cab of claim 2 wherein said stiffeners are vertical and separate strips of stiff material attached vertically to said shell panels.

4. (Original) The elevator cab of claim 3 wherein said decorative panels are approximately the same thickness as said vertical stiffeners and extend inwardly from said shell panels.

5. (Original) The elevator cab of claim 4 wherein said vertical stiffeners are channel-shaped.

6. (Original) The elevator cab of claim 5 wherein said shell panels are attached to said platform by a base section and to the ceiling by a transom riser section offset from the plane of said shell panels.

7. (Currently Amended) An elevator cab construction for increasing the interior cab size of elevator cab including a platform and a ceiling

(a) shell panels forming the interior walls of said elevator cab attached to said ceiling and platform by a base and transom which base and transom are both channel-shaped and both offset ~~outwardly from the vertical plane~~ an outer perimeter of said shell panels toward the elevator interior when viewed from a top-down perspective, wherein said panels comprise a panel material;

(b) vertical hat-shaped interior stiffeners formed on said shell panels from said panel material to provide stiffening,

(c) vertical corner [trip] trim stiffeners in the corners of the cab to support said shell panels,

(d) decorative panels mounted on said shell panels on the interior of said cab between said vertical stiffeners.

8. (Original) The elevator cab of claim 7 wherein said decorative panels are approximately the same thickness as said vertical stiffeners.

9. (Cancelled) The elevator cab of claim 8 wherein said vertical stiffeners are hat-shaped.

10. (Currently amended) ~~The elevator cab of claim 9~~ An elevator cab construction for increasing the interior cab size of elevator cab including a platform and a ceiling

(a) shell panels forming the interior walls of said elevator cab attached to said ceiling and platform by a base and transom which base and transom are both channel-shaped and both offset from an outer perimeter of said shell panels toward the elevator interior when viewed from a top-down perspective, wherein said panels comprise a panel material;

(b) vertical hat-shaped interior stiffeners formed on said shell panels from said panel material to provide stiffening,

(c) vertical corner trim stiffeners in the corners of the cab to support said shell panels,

(d) decorative panels mounted on said shell panels on the interior of said cab between said vertical stiffeners;

wherein said decorative panels are approximately the same thickness as said vertical stiffeners;

wherein said vertical stiffeners are hat-shaped;

wherein said shell panels have an opening to the elevator shaft to provide ventilation through said hat-shaped vertical stiffeners.

11. (Cancelled) The elevator cab of claim 10 wherein said shell panels are attached to said platform by a base section and to the ceiling by a transom riser section.

12. (New) The elevator cab of claim 1 wherein each of said decorative panels are mounted on said shell panels on the interior of said cab and mounted between one of said stiffeners on the interior of said shell panels and one of said vertical stiffeners.